

REMARKS

The Final Office Action of July 21, 2004, presents the examination of claims 1-6, 8-25, 27-40, 42-86, 89 and 90; these claims remain pending. Claims 1-6, 8-25, 27-40, 42-76, 86 (see the Advisory Action of February 2, 2005), 89 and 90 are allowed. Claims 77-85 have been canceled.

All of the claims pending upon entry of this amendment are allowed. Accordingly, entry of this amendment and passage of the application to issue are respectfully requested.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell (Reg. No. 36,623) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicants respectfully petition for a three (3) month extension of time for filing a response in connection with the present application. The required fee of \$1,020.00 is attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees

required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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